

MUST PAY FOR USE OF ROADS

In the recent hearing before the Public Service Commission on the application of Albert Pearl for authority to operate an auto-truck freight service daily between Reno and Virginia City, Attorney F. E. Murphy, appearing on behalf of the Virginia and Truckee railway, in opposition to said application, protested that the auto-truck and stage lines were taking the business of the railroads away and reducing its ability to pay taxes, which go to the maintenance of the public roads over which these competitors operate, and that the state was not requiring the auto transportation lines to pay their fair proportion in taxes toward the support of the government.

In response thereto Chairman Shaughnessy made the following statement: "I desire to say that I believe the tax commission will properly and adequately tax the auto transportation lines, both passenger and freight. I may also state that these auto lines for the future—the paths we have been discussing here, which render public service—that their revenues and their operations shall be closely checked as those of the railroads and their operations will be reported to the tax commission in the same detail as is required of other corporations. Furthermore, that the same method of taxation shall be imposed against the auto-truck and stage companies that is now imposed upon the railroads. In this behalf, it has been agreed that at the expiration of one year's business and if the revenue has been afforded as much as the business more than pays for the taxes, the tax commission will then be able to inventory such freight and passenger transportation companies and place a fair taxation value upon them. I cannot say definitely, but pursuing the rule which the tax commission applies to the express companies, it will be able to get from such transportation companies a fair and adequate tax on their use value as well as the mere physical value. This will make good for losses in taxes which may occur in railroad property by the loss of business to the auto lines, and insure the payment of their just proportion towards the support of government and road maintenance. It is recognized that the value of the auto passenger and freight trucks alone will not, in all cases, measure the fair value of the business for taxation purposes. Just as soon as we can get the auto transportation systems of this state lined up, as we hope to be able to do under this amended law, the automobile passenger and freight lines will be required to pay their just proportion of the taxes for the support of the state and county governments."

REDUCING THE NUMBER OF RED CROSS WORKERS

(Correspondence Associated Press)
BELGRADE, Serbia, July 5.—Workers of the Red Cross commission in Serbia, who have numbered about 175 during the recent months when relief work was urgent, now are being reduced to about fifty. Captain Harry W. Frantz, secretary of the Red Cross commission to Serbia, announces that the fifty workers retained will devote themselves to medical and institutional work. He adds that "the condition of the country is so far improved that general emergency relief measures are no longer considered necessary."

WRIT OF PROHIBITION TO SETTLE WATER LITIGATION

Charging that frequent injunction suits, brought for the purpose, he alleges of preventing adjudication of water rights under the state water law, are interfering with him and preventing him in his efforts to enforce that law, Col. J. G. Scrugham, has filed a petition for a writ of prohibition preventing the Sixth judicial district court from proceeding further with a suit now pending there relative to the adjudication of water rights along the Humboldt river.

The petition for the writ is directed particularly at District Judges J. A. Callahan, T. C. Hart and C. J. McFadden, each of whom has heard various matters in connection with the suit pending. If the writ is granted, however, it will apply equally to any other district court in which similar suits may be brought in the future.

In case the state engineers' contention is sustained by the supreme court it will open the way for uninterrupted water adjudication along all streams in the state pending final determination of suits attacking the constitutionality of the water law.

NAMED AFTER A BRAVE MARINE

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—The United States destroyer, Zane, scheduled to be launched at Mare Island navy yard, August 12, and to become part of the Pacific fleet, will be named after Major Randolph Talcott Zane of the marine corps who died from wounds and influenza incurred in France.

The destroyer will be sponsored by Mrs. Zane and her five-year-old daughter. Mrs. Zane is the daughter of Governor William D. Stephens of California.

Major Zane commanded the American forces in the town of Bouresches during the famous German drive, when marines and soldiers stopped their way to Paris. In the action he was severely wounded. One bullet lodged in his hip and one ear drum was shattered by an exploding shell. For his bravery and coolness in action he was cited by Major General Barnett and later decorated by General Pershing.

Following partial recovery from his wounds, Major Zane was promoted to major at Havre. An abscess developed in his injured ear and he was forced to undergo two operations and while recovering a second time he was stricken with influenza and died.

Major Zane was said to have served with many officers now stationed on the Pacific fleet.

Mrs. Zane and her daughter will be part of the governor's party which will officially welcome the fleet to California at San Diego.

SYMME TO DISCUSS WAGE QUESTION

Whitman Symmes, superintendent of the North End mines in Virginia City, has left for San Francisco to meet with the board of directors of the companies to discuss the demand of the miners for a wage increase of \$1 a day.

William Howard Taft is still standing by the covenant of nations. His statesmanship is not of the "good ship Wabble."

HARDSHIPS OF A TAIL END TEAM

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—Few managers in the Pacific Coast baseball league ever have been the object of greater diversity of criticism than Bill Glymer of the Seattle team. He frankly admits he doesn't know whether he is a hero or a renegade.

Glymer is being execrated as the leader of a tail-end team who hasn't shown any particular aptitude for getting together a creditable playing machine, and as showing poor judgment in the men whom he has dismissed from the club.

On the other hand there are those who laud him as a man who keeps on fighting notwithstanding the discouraging showing made by his men. They say he has put more life into the game for the spectator than any other one individual in the entire league. His coaching activities during the progress of a game have been commented on by the sporting writers as one of the features of the play.

Glymer, while in the past is credited with never having managed a team which did not figure up in the first division, and the fact that the Seattle team is in the Pacific coast "cellar" position has afforded abundant material for the paragraphers.

A new parasite has been found that makes a specialty of devouring spinach. More power to it.

JUDGE SERIOUSLY ILL

Judge A. L. Fitzgerald, a former justice of the supreme court of Nevada, is seriously ill at his rooms in the Mayer hotel at Elko.

He went to Elko from his home in Eureka several days ago to confer the degrees on a class of candidates. He was taken ill on the train, and on his arrival it was necessary to carry him to the hotel, and medical assistance was at once summoned.

The judge suffered from an attack of influenza this spring, and, as he is past 75 years of age, he has never entirely recovered from this illness. His daughter, Mrs. E. Gordon, was summoned to his bedside from her home in Los Angeles, arriving yesterday morning.

\$5000 FIRE AT ROCHESTER

Three buildings in Rochester, together with their contents, were destroyed by a fire which broke out about 7:30 a. m. Friday and whose origin is unknown, says the Humboldt Star.

The fire broke out in the Waldorf on Main street. The flames spread so quickly that nothing was saved from this building.

The Goldenda Telephone & Power company's office, owned by Mrs. A. H. Crumley, and the residence of J. F. Crumley, which was unoccupied, were also burned. The switchboard was the only thing saved from the telephone office.

Loss estimated at about \$5000 with no insurance.

It is claimed that dollar counterfeits are in circulation. But what would a man do with a dollar bill? He can buy nothing.

ALASKA SHRIMPS FORM NEW CANNING INDUSTRY

(Correspondence Associated Press)
ANCHORAGE, Alaska, June 24.—Canning of fresh shrimps is a new industry begun by two companies at Colerberg, Alaska. The shrimp come from Thomas bay and after being cooked are packed in five-gallon cans, with a sanitary sealing without salt. The product is shipped on ice.

A lot of folks are worrying about how they shall spend their vacation. They might enlist in the marines and "see the world."

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Nye. In the matter of the estate of John Williams, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned has been duly appointed and qualified by the District Court at the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of Nye, as administrator of the estate of John Williams, late of said county, deceased.

All creditors having claims against said estate are required to file the same, with proper vouchers attached, with the Clerk of the Court, within three months of the first publication of this notice.

CHAS. WILLIAMS, Administrator.

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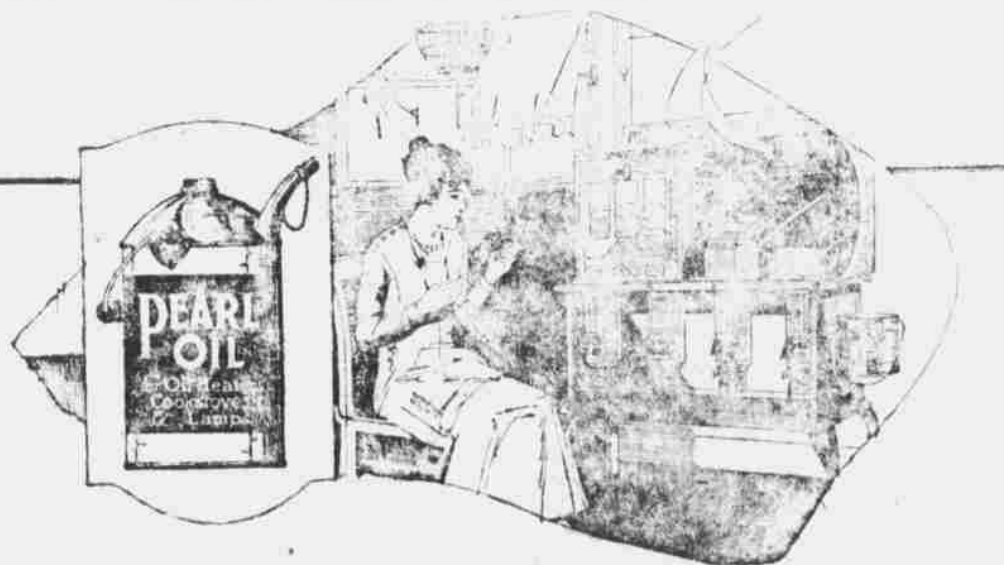
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